

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Claims 2, 3 and 11-14 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1 and 4 are amended. The following is the status of the claims of the above-captioned application, as amended.

Claim 1 (Currently Amended). A method for reducing the backstaining of a dye on a denim fabric or textile during stonewashing, comprising contacting the denim fabric or textile with a composition comprising an effective amount of a lipolytic enzyme ~~(EC 3.1.1)~~ cutinase (EC 3.1.1.74).

Claims 2 and 3 (Canceled).

Claim 4 (Currently Amended). The method of ~~claim 3~~ claim 1, wherein the cutinase is a *Humicola insolens* cutinase.

Claim 5 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein the fabric or textile is made of hydrophobic fibres.

Claim 6 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein the fabric or textile is polyester or a polyester/cotton blend.

Claim 7 (Original). The method of claim 6, wherein the fabric or textile is polyester or polyester/cotton parts of indigo dyed denim.

Claim 8 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein the amount of enzyme is 1-100 mg of enzyme protein per l of composition.

Claim 9 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein the pH is in the range of 4.5-7.5 and the temperature is in the range of 40-60°C.

Claim 10 (Currently amended). The method of claim 1 ~~for simultaneous reducing the backstaining and formation of localized color variation~~, wherein the composition further contains comprises a cellulase and/or pumice.